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 Application Title: *Canister with Air Tight Lid and Spring Clamping Handle*
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Office action of 2/25/04, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An animal feed apparatus comprising in combination: a circular container having a peripheral sidewall closed by a bottom panel, and at a top end thereof an outwardly extending integral lip; an interior surface of the sidewall formed with an inwardly directed slope, and a lid providing an annular lid lip having a pair of ~~plural~~ annular ribs positioned for such intimate frictional contact with the sloped sidewall of the container as to cause a vacuum engagement therewith to seal the container, the apparatus further comprising a side handle including an outwardly extending portion integral with the lip of the container and a downwardly extending portion spaced apart from the peripheral sidewall, the downwardly extending portion directed at an angle toward the sidewall and flexible for causing a spring clamping action for holding the container in place on a rail; the side handle adapted for receiving a fence rail frictionally sandwiched between the downwardly extending portion and the container sidewall and wherein the outwardly extending portion including a fastening aperture adapted for receiving a fastener for securement of the handle to the fence rail.
2. (cancelled)
3. (currently cancelled)
4. (currently cancelled)

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